

PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R §1.116 **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1753**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Shigeki MATSUDA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1753

Application No.: 10/077,777

Examiner:

E. Wong

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ELECTROLYTIC PHOSPHATE CHEMICAL TREATMENT METHOD

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R §1.116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the August 24, 2004, Office Action, the shortened statutory period for reply being extended to February 24, 2005 by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and Remarks.